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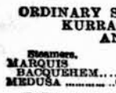

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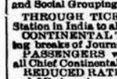

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	100,000	410	all	8 pr. ct.	80
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	500	375	375	75	1,638
	1,250	100	100	dvd 3	62
	600	500	500	5 pr. ct.	50
	750	500	500	50	1,300
	1,000	500	500	5 pr. ct.	25
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	2,500	250	250	5 pr. ct.	275
	6,000	100	100	16 pr. ct.	17
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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

FRIDAY EVENING, JAN. 22.

THERE has been no amelioration in the state of business in this city caused by the continuance of the Bubonic Fever visitation, nor is there likely to be any until the epidemic shall have been stamped out, and native traders, servants, and labourers return to their accustomed work. Meantime, the mortality returns have been rather more favourable for the last few days; and it is hoped that should a healthy condition of things prevail before long, much of the trade of this port will not have been more than temporarily diverted into other channels. Cotton has been taken freely on some days by shippers, and it is a feature in the week's business that a considerable portion of the purchasers have been made for Japan; but local Millowners have again been almost out of the markets, and several Mills remain closed through the desertion of many of the hands. In Wheat and Seed when these markets have not been closed, there has been very little business passing, and quotations are, to a great extent, nominal. The course of Exchange has been downward throughout the week, and though, towards the close, rates hardened a little, they left off 9-32d. lower, both for Bank and Private Paper than our quotations of last Friday evening. Money is still scarce, but in rather less demand. Government Paper has advanced 13-16ths. for 3½ per Cents. Threes are nominally unchanged. Previous rates are quoted for Freights; but very little business has transpired in this market, which has been partially closed. In the absence of dealers, business in Imports is almost at a stand-still, and quotations are nominal.

MONEY.—There was less demand for monetary accommodation during the week ending on Saturday last than in the week preceding; but the commodity remained very scarce, and the rates of discount at the Presidency Bank and in the open market remained at ten per cent for the minimum. The trade demand for Money, however, continued to be very slack, as might be expected in the present state of trade in this city, and the Statement of Affairs of the Bank of Bombay issued on Monday disclosed a falling off in that direction of close upon 22 lakhs, against an increase of 3½ lakhs shown by the previous Return, the decrease having been due to some addition to Private Deposits, and a material decrease both in Loans and Bills Discounted. The increase in the Bank's Cash Balance was 14½ lakhs at 120½ lakhs, the difference between this and the amount of the decrease in trade requirements being accounted for by withdrawals of Government Deposits at the Bank's head office and branches aggregating some 84 lakhs.

During the present week Money has still been scarce; but has been in less demand. The Bank and market rates of discount remain at 10 per cent., all round.

EXCHANGE.—The market opened weak in tone last mail-day at 1s 3-9-32d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 3-7-16d. for three months' sight Credits. A little was done in the former class of Paper, and the rate then receded 1-32d., while in Mercantile Bills there was nothing offering. On Monday the quotation for Bank Telegraphic and Demand was 1s. 3 3-16d. and for three months' sight Credits 1s. 3 13-32d. There were no merchants' Bills offering, and in the presence of some enquiry for Bank remittance rates receded, and closed quiet. Weak in tone on Tuesday, rates opened at 1s 3 3-32d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 3¼d. for three months sight Credits. There was a fair demand for Bank medis of remittance, and rates fell off during the day. On Wednesday there was a quiet but steady feeling in the market, with 1s. 3d. quoted for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 3 3-16d. for three months' sight Credits. There was but little offering either way, though a small amount of Bank Paper was placed at an improvement of 1-32d. on the opening rate. Yesterday the market was weak in tone at 1s. 2 15-16d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 3 1-8d. for three months' sight Credits. A fair amount of Wire Transfer was reported at 1s. 2 15-16d., and a moderate amount of three months' sight Bills were placed at 1s. 3 1-8d. This morning the market opened steady at 1s. 3d. Telegraphic and Demand, for Bank remittance, at which a moderate amount of business was reported; and at 1s. 3 1-8d. for three months' sight Credits, at which rate a moderate amount was also placed. During the day rates hardened a little and closed steady as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand	1s. 3d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 3d.	"
Do. 3 months' sight	1s. 3 1-16d.	"
Do. 4 do.	—	"
Do. 6 do.	—	"
Credits3 do.	1s. 3 5-32d.	"
Do. 6 do.	1s. 3 9-32d.	"
Documents 3 months' sight	1s. 3 3-15d.	"
Do. do.	1s. 3 5-15d.	"
Francs 3 do.	159 1-2	"
Do. 6 do.	160 1-2	"

GOVERNMENT PAPER opened last Saturday at 99 5-8 for money and 99 7-8 for account, for 3 1-2 per cents., and remained at these rates to the close, but no business worth mentioning was reported in either position, and in the general absence of dealers these quotations, as well as that of 97 for three per cents., almost nominal. On Monday 99 11-16 was quoted for cash, and 99 15-16 for the next Settlement, from which rates advanced to 99 15-16 and 100 1-8, for 3 1-2 per Cents., in the two positions, respectively, closing at par for money and 100 3-16 for account, with 98, nominal, quoted for Threes. Rates opened on Tuesday at 100 1-8 and 100 7-16 for Money and Account, respectively, for 3 1-2 per cents., 100 3-16 and 100 3-8 having been quoted later on, at which the market closed, with 98, nominal, named for Threes. The following day 100 1-4 was the quotation for cash, and 100 7-16 for the next Settlement, for 3½ per Cents, from which a decline took place of 1-8 per cent. At opening yesterday quotations stood at 100 3-16 for Money and 100 5-16 for Account, and remained at the same level for 3½ per Cents, all day being, however, nominal to a great extent in the absence of business. To-day the market has been firm in tone, though still, with very little doing, and rates for 3½ per Cents were quoted at opening at 100 3-16 for cash, and at 100 5-16 for the next settlement, 98 nominal, being the quotation for Threes, these being also our closing prices.

Municipal 5 per cent. Loan, and Port Trust Bonds are unchanged at 130 and 109 respectively.

SHARES.—This market has been practically closed throughout the week, and our quotations are the same as those of last Friday evening; but they must be taken as generally nominal in the absence of fresh business to test them.

IMPORTS.

PIECE GOODS.—Most of the Bazaar dealers in staple *Grey Goods* and shopkeepers have deserted Bombay in the bubonic fever scare, and business in these, and other descriptions of Piece Goods, is almost at a stand-still, the total clearances from the Bazaar having aggregated only 700 Packages of *Imported Goods*, and about 500 *Locally-made* for the week. Stocks, meantime, have began to increase, and rates are quite nominal.

YARNS.—Next to no business has transpired in *Imported Twist* prices of which are nominally unchanged in a dull market. Sales of *Bombay Spinnings* in China for last week have been about 6,000 bales, with Exchange at Hongkong as last quoted. Here there has been practically no business doing, the sales for the week being estimated at only 200 bales, the market closing quiet at the following official quotations:—

Twist	No. 6s	Mule, As.	4½ to 4⅝	per lb.
"	" 8s	" "	4⅞ " 5	"
"	" 10s	" "	5⅛ " 5⅜	"
"	" 12s	" "	5 " 5½	"
"	" 16s	" "	5⅝ " 6⅛	"
"	" 20s	" "	6¼ " 6½	"
"	" 24s	" "	6⅝ " 7⅛	"
"	" 30s	" "	7⅜ " 7⅝	"
"	" 40s	" "	8 " 8½	"

METALS have been hardly dealt in this week, and many of the dealers have gone away, closing their shops. Prices of *Copper*, *Yellow Metal*, and *Iron* are quoted as before, but they are mostly nominal.

COAL.—Sales have been reported during the week of ready *Seelpore* from Rs. 12½ to Rs. 13 per ton, and for January shipment at Rs. 12½ per ton. *Jardin's Navigation*, for January shipment, has been sold at from Rs. 12 to Rs. 12½ per ton; and *Japan*, for January, at Rs. 12½ per ton. The market closes firm, at the following quotations alongside:—

Welsh Hartley	...	*Nil.*
West "	...	"
Australian ...	...	"
Powell's Duffryn	...	Rs. 22½ per ton.
Cardiff...	...	" 22 "
Japan ...	...	" 12½ per ton.
Singareni ...	...	" 13½ Rail delivery.
Seebpore	...	Rs. 13 per ton.

EXPORTS.

COTTON.—At the close of last week a considerable amount of business in this staple was reported for account of exporters, consisting of ready new Oomrawattee descriptions and Bengal, and including some contracts for Broach of the new crop for January-February delivery, all on the basis of previous rates, and meantime some purchases have been made upon a much smaller scale by shippers, but the Mills have remained almost out of the market, some having been closed, owing to the exodus of many of the hands in consequence of the Bubonic Fever scare. Such purchases as have been made in this direction have been mainly in ready new Comras and Bengal. This evening the market closed quiet, at about previous rates a moderate business having been reported for export of which a portion is intended for shipment to Japan and a little for account of the Mills.

The Receipts of Cotton of the new crop into Bombay during the past week have been 42,500 bales, compared with 38,200 bales on the week preceding, and 59,500 bales in the corresponding week last season; the falling off in receipts of new Cotton this year compared with last being now 232,000 bales.

We give below our usual annual comparative Statement of the Westward shipments of Cotton for the year just closed, from which it appears that there was a total net increase of 147,793 bales, or some 23 5-8ths per cent. last year as against 1895, the ports to which there had been the largest increases being, in order of increase, Liverpool, Dunkirk, Genoa, Antwerp, Havre, Trieste, and Bremen.

Monday morning's official telegraphic weather and crop reports advised a full of about an inch and a-quarter of rain at Umritsar; of an inch and a-half at Ferozepore, and of 11 cents at Delhi, but over the rest of the Cotton area fine, bright seasonable weather prevailed. Arrivals of Cotton at the district marts of the Bengal and Oomrawattee circles, where picking was general, were small, as they were also in Broach and in those districts of the Dhollera circle where picking had partially begun. At Hubli in the Darwar circle, the Cotton plants were withering for want of moisture.

Excepting that 16 cents of rain had fallen in the Cawnpore district of the Bengal Cotton circle and that the plants in the Wudhan district of the Dholera circle (which were ready for picking) were suffering from cold winds, there was nothing fresh to notice in connection with the telegraphic reposts issued yesterday, the weather continuing fine and seasonable over the greater portion of the Cotton area.

The following are to-day's quotations for full-pressed Cotton with the equivalents in sterling, cost, and freight to Liverpool via Canal, without Commission, viz.:—

Cotton—		Per candy.	Per lb. C. & F.
Bengal, Fine	Jan. & Feb.	Rs. *152—2 29-32d.	
Do. Fully Good	do	" 140—2 23-32d.	
Do. Good	do	" 134—2 6-64d.	
Belatee, Fine	do	" 160—3 1-32d.	
Do. Full Good	do	" 151—2 15-16d.	
Khandesh, Fully Good	do	" 154—2 15-16d.	
Comra, Fully Good	do	" 173—3 1-4d.	
Dhollera, Fine	Mar. & Apl.	" 179—3 7-16d.	
Do. Fully Good	do	" 170—3 9-32d.	
Do. Good	do	" 164—3 3-16d.	
S G Dharwar Good	May & June	" 160—3 1-2d.	
Western	do	" 170—3 11-32d.	
Broach, Fine	Jan. & Feb.	" 167—3 15-32d.	
Do. Good	Mar.	" 183—3 15-32d.	

* These figures are taken from the Chamber of Commerce report.

The arrivals of New Crop Cotton into Bombay, this season, as compared with last, are as follows:—

	Season. 1896-97. F. P. Bales.	Season. 1895-96. F. P. Bales.
Bengals	122,500	185,000
Berar	111,500	198,500
Khandesh	97,500	180,000
Barsi and Nuggur	11,500	26,500
Hingunghat	5,000	10,000
Porsian and Sind	1,000	5,500
Broach	4,500	7,000
	353,500	385,500

The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparison with the previous two years:—

Receipts.	1897. Bales.	1896. Bales.	1895. Bales.
For the Week	44,555	63,534	37,982
From 1st to 21st Jan.	117,070	178,335	100,178
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent.			
For the Week	4,021	1,998	1,732
From 1st to 21st Jan.	18,895	59,211	8,467
Clearances to Calcutta, China, Japan, &c.			
For the Week	17,770	1,565	250
From 1st to 21st Jan.	31,778	5,397	7,198

Actual Clearance of Cotton from Bombay to different Ports in Europe during the Years 1896 and 1896.

Names of Ports.	6 months ending 30th June 1896. F. P. Bales.	6 months ending 31st Dec. 1896. F. P. Bales.	Total for 12 months. F. P. Bales.	6 months ending 30th June 1897. F. P. Bales.	6 months ending 31st Dec 1896. F. P. Bales.	Total for 12 months. F. P. Bales.	Increase or Decrease. F. P. Bales.	Percentage.
Liverpool	63,922	9,700	73,622	68,311	5,089	73,400	+222	+0·30
Hull	1,443	75,671	77,114	1,221	77,549	78,770	+1,656	+2·15
Marseilles	6,569	28,317	34,886	10,830	28,033	38,863	+3,977	+11·40
Havre	41,859	130,176	172,035	44,284	128,693	172,977	+942	+0·54
Dunkirk	2,800	1,200	4,000	1,000	1,000	2,000	−2,000	−50·00
Bosen	1,000	900	1,900	5,100	900	6,000	+4,100	+215·78
Antwerp	107,655	20,577	128,232	126,603	3,903	130,506	+2,274	+1·77
Rotterdam	3,617	3,617	7,234	1,233	1,233	2,466	−4,768	−65·91
Hamburg	102,387	20,848	123,235	93,553	10,850	104,403	−18,832	−15·28
Bremen	9,700	1,100	10,800	23,223	2,000	25,223	+14,423	+133·54
Barcelona	75,671	30,071	105,742	45,288	30,071	75,359	−30,383	−28·73
Naples	28,317	1,439	29,756	2,100	...	2,100	−27,656	−92·94
Venice	130,176	...	130,176	130,774	...	130,774	+598	+0·45
Trieste	1,200	600	1,800	810	700	1,510	−290	−16·11
Piraeus	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Odessa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gothenburg	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	696,423	366,465	1,062,888	772,328	469,023	1,241,351	+178,463	+16·79

WHEAT.—There has been but a slight enquiry for this staple from shippers during the past week, and the market has been parcially closed, owing to the absence of dealers who have fled from the prevailing pestilence to the up-country districts. Prices, meantime, which remain as follows, are to a great extent no minal, say:—

White Pessy, 91 per cent.	Rs.	6	2	0 per cwt.
Do. 88 "	"	6	1	0 "
No. 1 Club Delhi	"	6	1	0 "
Red Delhi	"	6	2	0 "
Hard Yellow	"	6	4	0 "
Red Ahmedabad	"	5	13	0 "
Hard Red	"	5	13	0 "

SEEDS, like Wheat, have been in but small request for shipment, and little business has been reported in this Market also, the feeling, however, having been generally steady when not quiet, and prices unaltered as follows:—

Linseed	Rs.	6	5	0 per cwt.
Rapeseed Yellow Gazerat	"	7	12	0 "
Do. do. Canapore	"	7	6	0 "
Do. Red do.	"	6	13	0 "
Gingelly, White	"	45	0	0 per candy.
Do. Mixed	"	43	0	0 "

The comparative Imports of Wheat and Seeds are as follows:—

	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Wheat for the week	3,300	70,045	73,053
Do. from 1st to 21st January	14,995	203,723	188,057
Linseed for the week	2,109	10,934	13,503
Do. from 1st to 21st January	11,539	34,149	45,034
Rapeseed for the week	258	4,585	14,710
Do. from 1st to 21st January	1,833	10,937	48,617
Gingellyseed for the week	13,891	48,839	61,939
Do. from 1st to 21st January	21,236	135,750	201,593

The clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and Continent are as follows:—

	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Wheat for the week	...	11,656	4,000
Do. from 1st to 21st January	...	35,990	60,320
Linseed for the week	6,000	3,033	9,420
Do. from 1st to 21st January	22,030	31,541	46,102
Rapeseed for the week	...	...	33,001
Do. from 1st to 21st January	26,076	111,594	79,022
Gingellyseed for the week	...	23,037	56,704
Do. from 1st to 21st January	21,525	123,736	212,719

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BOMBAY.

DEATHS.

FLOWER—January 22, at St. George's Hospital, Bombay, Percy Edward, the fondly loved son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Flower, aged 27 years. Deeply and deservedly regretted. Funeral this (Saturday) morning at 6-30 from the Hospital. Friends will please accept this intimation.

SEERVAI—January 22, at his residence, Victoria Road, opposite the Silk Mills, Byculla, Kursetjee Nusserwanjee Seervai, Income Tax Collector of Bombay. Funeral this (Saturday) morning at 8 o'clock.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

ANDERSON—January 17, at Muttra, N.-W. P., the wife of Surgeon-Major Louis E. Anderson, A. M. S., of a daughter.

KENNEDY—January 16, at Panjoo, the wife of H. Pitt Kennedy, B. B. and C. I. Railway, of a son.

LECHLER—January

TELEGRAMS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

ILLNESS OF THE SULTAN OF ZANZIBAR.

LONDON, JAN. 22.

A despatch has been received in Berlin stating that the Sultan of Zanzibar is seriously ill.

THE BENIN MASSACRE.

Particulars of the Benin massacre are to hand and show that the expedition, which was not armed, was bearing presents to the King, and was marching in two parties.

Both parties were caught in an ambush and the massacre followed. One carrier only, out of 250, escaped.

QUARANTINE AT GIBRALTAR.

A fortnight's quarantine is now imposed at Gibraltar on all arrivals from India.

PROPOSED ADVANCE IN THE SOUDAN.

Reuter's agency learns that the garrisons at Debbeh, Kerli and Merowi will advance early in the summer and take Abu Hamed and Berber preparatory to a subsequent movement on Khartoum.

THE LOSSES BY FAMINE AND PLAGUE.

Mr. Balfour, replying to a question from Mr. Maclean in the Commons, said that until the losses by the famine and plague were known, it would be premature to offer a grant of public money to aid the Indian Exchequer, and that there was no precedent for such a course.

FAMINE RELIEF FUND AT OTTAWA.

An Indian Famine Relief Fund has been opened at Ottawa.

PILGRIMAGE TO MECCA FORBIDDEN FROM ALGERIA.

The Governor of Algeria has announced that the pilgrimage from there to Mecca will be forbidden unless the plague ceases in India.

THE EFFECT OF THE PLAGUE ON BLACKBURN.

Mr. W. H. Hornby, Member for Blackburn, in a speech to his constituents, said that if the plague spreads to Calcutta and Madras, half the looms in Blackburn will be stopped or run on short time.

THE NIGER EXPEDITION.

RETREAT OF THE FOULAHS

Reuter's agent at Brass telegraphs that the Niger Company's land column has reached Kabba, where they found the Foulah Army on the South side of the Niger River, and that the Foulahs dispersed panic-stricken.

The Niger Company's column is now advancing on Bida, and their flotilla has reached Egwa, and will cut off the retreat of the fugitives to Bida.

THE WHITTAKER CASE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SECUNDERABAD, JAN. 22.

To-day's hearing was confined to the application supported by argument by Mr. Lowndes for the framing of additional charges against Mr. Templeton, namely, culpable homicide not amounting to murder, and giving false evidence in a judicial proceeding. Mr. Bailey did not oppose the application, but stated he would not be astonished if all the charges contained in the Penal Code were brought against the accused. Mr. Lowndes then summed up the prosecution evidence, and his Honour promised to decide the question of commitment on Monday, and at the same time see if it was necessary to add the further charges.

MEASURES REGARDING PLAGUE AT POONA.

POONA, JAN. 22.

At a meeting of the City Municipality, held to consider special measures to be taken regarding plague in the city, special rules were framed, recommending that houses should be white-washed where plague occurred.

Three men were found to-day suffering from the plague, who arrived from Bombay, one of them went into the city, two were detained in the Sassoon Hospital. Two females died in the city and nine in hospital. The total number of deaths since the outbreak was 37 ; 20 being males, 12 females, and 5 children.

BOMBAY COMMAND ORDERS.

Military Works Department—Lieutenant-Colonel Sprott, R.E., on return from leave, will assume charge of the office of Superintending Engineer, Quetta Circle, Military Works.

Lieutenant-Colonel Graves, Staff Corps, is transferred from Quetta Circle, Military Works, to the office of Chief Engineer, Bombay Command, Military Works.

Poona Army Medical Staff—Surgeon-Captain Parry, on return from leave in England, is posted to general duty, Aden District.

Surgeon-Lieutenant Walker, on arrival from England, is posted to general duty, Quetta District.

Under instructions received from War Office, it is notified that Major Findlay, on promotion to that rank, has been posted to No. 13 Company, Eastern Division Royal Artillery.

The Secretary of State for India has granted the undermentioned officer leave out of India, on private affairs, under the leave rules for the Staff Corps, from date of termination of his present course of instruction at the School of Military Engineering :—

Capt. Housten, Royal Engineers, Executive Engineer, 3rd grade, Military Works Dept., for one year. (Pension service fourteenth year, commenced on 14th February, 1896.)

The undermentioned officers have been granted leave to proceed out of India, on private affairs under the leave rules for the Staff Corps, the specified period to count from date of being struck off duty :—

Major Candy, Staff Corps, Second-in-Command, 14th Bombay Infantry, for one year. (Pension service twenty-fifth year, commenced 2nd November 1896).

Temporary Captain Major Piers, Second-in-Command, 10th Bombay Light Infantry, for one year. (Pension service nineteenth year, commenced 1st May, 1896).

The undermentioned warrant officer is granted leave to proceed out of India, on medical certificate :

Sub-Conductor Charlesworth, Ordnance Dept. for one year.

The undermentioned officers and warrant officers have leave of absence :

Staff Corps—Captain Wilkins, Bombay Infantry, 212 days, on private affairs, out of India ; Major Elwes, No. 23 Company, S. D., from 23rd January to 22rd March 1897, pending retirement, out of India ; Captain Dowell, Adjutant, R.A., Quetta, for six months, on medical certificate, out of India ; Lieutenant Poole, No. 2 Mountain Battery, for six months, on medical certificate, out of India, on extension.

3rd Bombay Light Cavalry—Lieutenant Benn, for six months, on medical certificate, granted by the Secretary of State for India.

12th Bombay Infantry—Lieutenant Schneider, for two months, on medical certificate, granted by the Secretary of State for India.

28th Bombay Pioneers—Captain Thomson, for six months, on medical certificate, granted by the Secretary of State for India.

Indian Medical Service—Surgeon Lieutenant-Colonel Sankey, medical officer, 13th Bombay Infantry, for four months, on medical certificate, granted by the Secretary of State for India.

Ordnance Department—Sub-Conductor Parkin for six months, on medical certificate ; Sub-Conductor, Gibeon, for six months, on medical certificate.

97th Bombay Light Infantry—Lieutenant Peck, for one month, on medical certificate, granted by the Secretary of State for India.

[REUTER TELEGRAM.]

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LIVERPOOL, JA 21.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed firm. Surats steady.

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The Manchester Market has been quiet but steady.

2½ per cents. Consols	112 11-16
3 per cent. Reduced	102 3-4
3½ per cent. Stock	Loan 108
3½ per cent. Rupee Paper	92 5-16
Bar Silver	29 11-16

The Bank of England returns for the week ending Yesterday, show the following results :—Total Bullion, £28,600,000 ; Increase, £320,000 ; Public Deposits, £8,000,000 ; Increase, £1,400,000 ; Other Deposits, £27,000,000 ; Decrease, £1,000,000 ; Other Securities, £23,000,000 ; Increase, £100,000 ; Notes and Gold, £25,000,000 ; Decrease, £1,300,000. The Bank's Reserve to its Liabilities was A

NOTES FROM LONDON.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JAN. 1.

There have already been many singular announcements to record in the last days of the old and the first of the new year, but perhaps the oddest celebration is that of the marriage in Paris of Madame Maurice Ephrussi's pet poodle to a fellow-dog of M. Gustave Rothschild's. There were invitation cards, to which many fashionable and probably curious guests responded. They were received in the brilliantly lighted drawing-room of the Ephrussi family and there beheld the wedding party. The officiating mayor was represented by a clever bulldog. The "bride" was arrayed in the correct costume of all mortal brides, a white satin dress with a wreath of orange blossoms. The post of parent was filled by a somewhat serious and stout poodle who was dressed in a blue frock-coat with shining brass buttons, no collar, but a fashionable tie. The bridegroom was in a very chic swallow tail coat, white necktie, and sprigged satin waistcoat. The dogs were rather subdued and respectful in their demeanor during the ceremony and signing of the register—by deputy. They enjoyed the banquet, which followed without any oppression of soul at having entered on a new stage of responsibility.

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Some of the theatres give us for Christmas bills the most unutterable absurdities, and yet the public come and laugh and enjoy themselves ; perhaps they prefer plays with no particular plot. "The Elder-Down Quills" at Terry's Theatre is one which brings in a laugh by such far-fetched devices that reason is utterly set at defiance. The play starts with an almost idiotic comicality. A girl believes she commits a murder by a very simple and apparently harmless action. The postulate once accepted nothing is too unlikely to be advanced. The cross-purposes that follow are rendered amusing by the lively acting of the chief characters. Miss Fanny Brough, Miss Audrey Ford (daughter of Miss Lottie Venne), and Mr. H. de Lange, never let the humorous side of the play out of sight. but act with a vivacity and freshness that would redeem even a worse comedy than this. The pantomimes have increased this year, the London theatres giving among them 22 to the public. The names are the well-known old ones. "Aladdin" "Cinderella" "Robinson Crusoe," "Dick Whittington," &c., &c. Why do we have no new fairy tales? Are we as a nation thoroughly developed? It is almost sad to think that we have passed so entirely out of the stage when our bards could fashion these wonderful creatures, that now people only the pantomime boards for a few weeks in each year.

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The most ludicrous of the theatrical good things this season is "The Key to King Solomon's Riches, Limited," a realistic African gold-diggers play, as it is called in the advertisements. The authoress, Miss Abbey St. Ruth clearly has a head fitted for a variety entertainment for she has succeeded in cramming into the first act every sensation, every representation that gallery, pit or box could desire. Bogus Company promoters are held up for moral reprobation, hypnotism is brought in to make one of the heroines interesting, a farce within a farce is enacted, and a melodrama of very marked character. Nobody seems to have any particular reason for being on or indeed off the stage. The characters come and go with a bewildering rapidity and a maze-like winding in and out, that mystifies the quiet theatre-goer. Of course, Rhodesia plays its part as a background. The Matabele Rebellion is rehearsed, though it is distinctly stated that it was over long ago. Then the gallery gets its share in a full-size representation of the machinery for crushing gold from the quartz of the rich gold-mine. The play is ridiculously long, no wonder, when so many parts of the world are travelled to, London, Rhodesia, Matabeleland, Cape Colony, and London again. We wonder how long this piece will run. Mr. J. A. Arnold in his acting was a distinct relief in the chaos. He realised the comic effect needed in some of the scenes.

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Royalties are being betrothed as fast as possible just now. There are so many royalties of different degrees of glory that have to be paired off, that a suitable match once found it is wise to lose no times or in the next shuffling of the pack, the individual Court Card may disappear for Knaves of Heart, have ever had a tendency to start on expeditions of their own. Prince Christian of Denmark and Princess Pauline of Wurtemberg, Prince Max of Baden and Princess Theodore of Schleswig Holstein, the Prince of Wied and Princess Ingeborg of Denmark, Prince Albert of Schaumburg-Lippe, and the Duchess Elsa of Wurtemberg. The latter has a fortune of over £600,000. The Crown Prince of Denmark is marrying off his family pretty rapidly, all things considered.

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The marriage of Miss Louise Bonaparte, the great grand-daughter of Jerome Bonaparte, the submissive younger brother of Napoleon I., to the Count von Moltke Hvitfeldt, joins two famous names. The bride has the brow and mouth of the great Napoleon, and she is said to be possessed of singular attractiveness and grace. She is doubly American, having had American great-grandmother, grandmother, and grandfather, father and mother, so that the pusillanimous spirit of her ancestor Jerome has been rectified by the infusion of Maryland blood in each successive generation. There are not many descendants of the Bonaparte family now in existance, and Countess von Moltke Hvitfeldt will occupy a position of some eminence in the world.

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Mr. Gladstone's eighty-seventh birthday was celebrated on 29th December. What a post bag the aged statesman received that morning! We are told that no fewer than 200 letters arrived by the early post, then telegrams followed from private friends and public bodies pretty well throughout the day. Mr. Gladstone's family was gathered about him at Hawarden, three sons and five grandsons being present besides his daughters, and other grand children. He was able to drive in the afternoon to the church, walking back to the castle, where the children of Mrs. Gladstone's orphanage and the old people in the Home of Rest had high tea. The *St. James' Gazette* is very smart with birthday greetings in verse from the most famous of our living poets. Those accredited to Mr. Rudyard Kipling are good.

Wind of the North, make answer! Open your bloom-ing mouth!
No voice? Not a sound? Well, strike me! Ring up the wind of the South.
That I am Mr. R-dy-rd K—pl—ng! You, Southern Breeze ;
I am patron of Thomas Atkins and Lord of the Seven Seas.
I have crossed dry-shod (in a mail-boat) the waters that turn and toss ;
I have rested one foot on the North Pole and one on the Southern Cross ;
I have spoken with blacks that wash not, the Fuzz Wuzz the Kikkery Boo ;
I have drunk of the milk of pigeons cross-bred with the Kangaroo ;
The Lap that dwaileth in Lapland, the Jap and the Esquimaux,
What should they know of India, who only K-pl-ng know ;
What's that you say—Hurry up, Sir? Ah! now we shall not be long ;
Best wishes to Mr. Gladstone—I trust he is going strong.

The caricature is a little hard on the poet, keeping him till the very last line from offering his congratulations.

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Mr. J. M. Barrie has given some real scenes of family life to the world in "Margaret Ogilvy" which contains reminiscences of his mother and sister. It is a great privilege to be thus allowed to look into the very heart and home of Mr. Barrie's childhood and boyhood and to see "with eye serene" the guiding spirit that helped him in his mental development. His tender love for his mother and loyal appreciation of her many great as well as simple domestic qualities shine out in every page, in his delighted recounting of the scenes in which she figured. Her opinion of Mr. Carlyle will appeal to every woman who count literary men in their household. She thought he needed a good deal of managing. Her own lines were laid in pleasanter places, and in this book her son has followed the bent of his nature in asking the world, who received his books so well, to see with him eye to eye the source and origin of many of his best inspirations.

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Mr. Arnold White rather shocks the feelings of the benevolent in his letter to the *Times* on the subject of "The Unfit." He must be a philosopher indeed, when he can wish to limit the charity, which would help to prolong the lives of those who are subject to incurable diseases, on the plea that such treatment tends to the direct multiplication of such sufferers in the future. He thinks that our higher civilisation in multiplying from lower specimens, from the idle, unthrifty and unemployable individual is likely to extinguish the industrious and self-reliant. He holds that false sentiment stands in the way of an inquiry which would do much to show the hopeless folly of contracting unsuitabe marriages. It is a very serious consideration, and one that probably future generations will blame us for not having thought out, whether we can in any way stop the triumph of individuals of confessedly lower intelligence over the higher. As in illness the unhealthy corpuscles of the blood seize on and devour or do away with the healthy, until the patient becomes a crushed worm so in nations. Mr. Arnold evidently thinks that the weak-minded and the feebler-bodied will gradually absorb the sane and the healthy if the former are not segregated. How is it to be done? All sorts of institutions are in existence, and constantly being improved upon, for restoring the [illegible] the unhealthy to full possession of [illegible] human beings. What is the use of [illegible] the very people whom science and care [illegible] from the darkness of the Valley of [illegible] which will [illegible] ? It is the share of life's [illegible] a difficult question [illegible] which every thoughtful man and [illegible] to.

TABLE TALK.

(BY WALTER BESANT.)

LONDON, JAN. 1.

I desire to make a personal statement and to enter a public protest. It is, we are all agreed, both the duty and the practice of every journal which belongs to the honourable rank to admit a contradiction when it has been led by mistake into bringing an injurious charge against any private person. Not to do this is to convert a mistake into a malignant invention. Very well then. On Dec. 7, I gave a certain address on Old London. My address was wholly confined to Old London. Just at the end I said that modern London was still young, still strong, still beautiful: Her beauty, as might have been concluded from what went before, consisted, I intended, in the vitality of those virtues which made the chief glory of old London. It appeared to some that I referred to the buildings. On the Saturday after, there appeared an article in the *Spectator* which asserted that I had called the buildings of modern London more beautiful than those of Old London ! ! Of course, to these who know anything at all about the subject, such an assertion is ridiculous on the face of it. It is however, more than ridiculous ; it is mischievous—because any man who could says such a thing must be not only a fool and an ass, but also a man entirely ignorant of the subject and incapable of being considered an expert on London either Old or New. Now, on Old London, I am an expert. The same statement was also made with equal confidence in another part of the paper, so that the conductors were evidently in earnest about it. Accordingly I wrote to the editor, temperately, and denyed the fact. I waited for Saturday. I waited for Saturday week. The *Spectator* has not printed my letter. Therefore, having brought, let us say by mistake, a mischievous and injurious charge against a private person, the *Spectator* refuses to allow that person to give a public denial. In such a case, one can only use such public means as are often to one for a public denial; one can only call attention to this new departure in a journv which may be sometimes wrong-headed, but has hitherto, so far as I have always belived, been conducted on principles of honour. One can only protest, and sit down, and be sorry.

Mr. Gladstone's letter on secondhand book buyers is most charming. He tells us that he has bought 35,000 volumes in his time; that he has not made any serious collection, but that he has some curious books. That was to be expected. I myself in my humble way, have acquired several curious volumes without being a collector. I buy what I want—what I must. This also it appears, has been Mr. Gladstone's rule through life. Among his books, however, are some which he did not buy :—Hannah More's "Sacred Dramas," which the author gave him in the year 1815—it seems a long time back; Hallam's "Constitutional History," given him by Arthur Hallam; no fewer than thirty "amended" Prayers Books, and in second edition! So little does the critical world regard amendments in the Prayer Book! Mr Gladstone complains of bookbinding, which, he say, is now dearer and worse than it was. Perhaps so; but if you pay enough you can have books bound at the present moment far more beautifully, more artistically finished than ten years ago. He also speaks of the recent increase in the number of second-hand booksellers. That is very true; they have not only increased in number, but they know their business better ; you get no more bargains ; you pick up no more curiosities in the twopenny baskets. Mr. Gladstone speaks of the "public spirit" of publishers in helping the buyer. But publishers do not produce secondhand books ; their public spirit is necessarily concentrated on new books. Finally, Mr. Gladstone says that "book collecting . . . is a vitalising element in a society honeycombed by several sources of corruption." Let us bow with the greatest humility before any word of this greatman. Society is doubtless honeycombed by corruption ; there never was a time when, in the opinion of moralists, it was not. For my own part, as a very humble collector of such books as I want, I should like more information on the "vitalising" part which, according to this great authority, I have been playing since I first began to buy books ; that is, since first I saved my pence to buy a book from a secondhand stall. The practice has helped to vitalise myself—that is quite certain—and that perhaps is all that Mr. Gladstone means.

The Head Masters' Conference has adopted a resolution which, if it leads to anything, may entirely change the present position of education regarded as a profession. It is bitterly felt by many scholars and gentlemen engaged in teaching work, that their profession is not regarded as on the same level with that of law or medicine. I acknowledge that the position of the schoolmaster has been very greatly improved of late years ; the number of young men who now aspire to assistant masterships has enormously increased, and is still increasing year by year. It is, to begin with, a well paid profession ; a young man in a big public school may reckon on two or three hundred a year almost at the outset, together with board and lodging for eight months in the year ; he has four months' holiday ; he has, it is true, to work pretty hard ; but the society is congenial, the conversation is scholarly, the work is interesting, and he may perhaps look forward to one of the prizes. Well, then ; what is there in the profession which debars it from the consideration enjoyed by other learned professions? It is this. The head-master has a power to dismiss any or all of the assistants by his own authority, and without even assigning a reason, even if they have served for forty years, and grown old in the service. Suppose a bartister of thirty or forty years' standing subject to such an arbitrary exercise of authority as this ; suppose that some one—a bencher—could deprive him of his practice in a moment, and without power of appeal. You can understand that in such a case the profession of the Bar would immediately fall into disrepute. How, again, if the colonel of a regiment had the power to dismiss all his officers at will? You can understand that, in that case, the army as a profession would become the last refuge of the destitute. Well, then, that is exactly the position of the scholars and gentlemen—many of them distinguished scholars, and all of them gentlemen—who occupy the post of assistant master in our public schools. They can be dismissed at will. Now the Head Master of Harrow has proposed an inquiry into this power with a view to controlling its exercise by appeal to the governing body. In other words, a step is to be taken towards putting assistant masters in the position of officers in the army. In France the "Professeurs" of the Lycee do already occupy that position ; they hold their places for life subject to some kind of Court Martial in case of charges brought against them. The "Directeur" has no power of dismissal.

I write this on Christmas Day. In the next room there are young people opening parcels and Christmas cards and letters. These annual Feasts remind one of the years behind. There are so many—the number always growing—to be remembered. I think that the Christmas cards should be sent not by the young, to the old, but by the old to the old. We treasure these few notes of kindliness ; the young men push us aside—I don't think they mean it, but they do ; our circle of friends does not increase, though we still make acquaintances ; we have on the other side—beyond the Veil—so many friends waiting for us—we think they wait for us, but perhaps they have forgotten us ; they must have forgotten us, or they would send Christmas cards to us. We think they will be pleased when we join them ; how if they do not remember anything about us? Now if the spiritualist was a really practical person, how delightful would it be to call back the old friends one by one and talk with them? Take, for instance, the Christmas of thirty years ago. One remembers the delightful, charming party gathered together at a certain hospitable house ; the thermometer at 90° ; the sun vertical ; the party all dressed in white, sitting in the verandah talking ; when the sun went low the party sallied out ; everybody except the host, young and full of spirits ; at seven the assembling for the Christmas dinner party ; the turkey and the English plum pudding ; the health to friends at home ; then the songs and the punch ; and so to bed in the Bachelors' Pavilion lying on mattresses side by side on the floor. Let us talk to some or this company—those who are already there. "Dear sir, you were the most charming, courteous, generous of hosts. I can never forget your kindness of those happy Christmas parties. Do not forget me quite. Let us meet like old friends. You crossed, if I remember rightly, twenty years ago. I trust you are as happy as you deserve to be." Then there was that most delightful of men, called by his friends Andry MacAndry. Shall we send him a message? "Don't say you have forgotten me, Andry. It was after my time that the whisky prevailed. Do not connect me, dear Andry, with the whisky. Man! you have not forgotten the walks in the forest, and the swims in the pool, and the climbing of the mountains. You have not forgotton the colossal breakfasts after five hours in the open. Ye canna forget that time, man! Andry, man, send me a kindly message." Alas! no message comes, or, if any, something incoherent and commonplace, in which I do not recognise the voice of Andry.

Travellers to the South are having a rough time of it at the Paris Gare du Nord. It seems (says the *World*) that the Customs House officials are not satisfied with the examination of small baggage at Calais and Boulogne, but lie in wait at the Paris station and stop certain of the passengers and examine their bags. One person, well-known in London, a few days ago had his bag opened, and in it were found two small packages with twenty-five cigars. They were promptly taken away from him, and he was made to pay a fine of 100f. Another, not appreciating the matches, which are a Government monopoly in France, had in his bag a box containing 1000 matches made in England. They were not taken from him, but they were counted, and he was compelled to pay 1fr. for each match—1000f. in all.

REVIEWS.

Four Children in Prose and Verse, by W Tregq Webb (Macmillan and Co., London). Th little book by the author of "Indian Lyrics," keeps up the writer's reputation for sympathetic treatment of his subject. The opening sentences in the Prose Children gives the key-note to this very pretty study and appeals to all who have said a long good-bye to their little ones at home.

"The European inhabitants of India mainly consist of —— babies. There are, of course, the supplementary parents, together with a fair sprinkling of bachelors, but there are no old people, and no middle-aged spinsters. I have said babies, not grown children. For such tender blossoms would quickly pine beneath those parching skies, and so, as soon as Baby is four or five years old, he is shipped off to England to the care of aunt or grandmother, and, as a child, he visits his Indian home no more. By some strange oversight, our geography books have omitted babies from their lists of the chief exports of British India. Happy fathers and mothers by their firesides in England look upon this separation as a matter of course—the heart-break of it does not come home to them ; but Anglo-Indian parents know too well that wistful, almost unendurable yearning after the little absent faces, which at first they hardly dare think about or talk of together."

The author evidently writes from the standpoint not only of a parent but of a sympathetic appreciative listener to the early essays of he little ones. Here is a verse that will find a true echo in the hearts of fathers and mothers out here.

Yet I know not—Can I, dear,
See you as you are I
English things grow dim and far
To the exile lingering here.
Sweet—how sweet I—but faint you stand,
Shadow-Child in shadow-land !
Vainly I for my delight
Fain would fashion you aright,
With a sad and wistful sense
Of the spirit's impotence.
You, as now you are, I trow,
I shall never know."

And again :

Merry Phillis, winsome Paul!
What quaint echoes dear
Of your happy voices fall
On my distant ear!
I have treasured them a while,
Till to song they grew ;—
Now o'er many an ocean mile,
Send them back to you!"

Here is the mother's return alone to India :—

She sits upon the deck at even,
As fades the sun's autumnal ray ;
She thinks not on the purple heaven,
But of a summer passed away ;
When through sweet English woods she went,
The future parting half forgot,
And with swo littie children bent
To pluck the blue forget-me-not."

We have given enough to show that this little volume will be welcome to many exiles in India in its simple treatment of our every-day regrets.

The Chariot of the Flesh, by Hedley Peek. (Lawrence and Bullen, London.) The power of reading our neighbours thoughts is a very doubtful blessing ; its convenience in some ways is considerably overbalanced by the disenchantment which even the most conceited person would be bound to feel at realising that his friends do not find that all his qualities are admirable, and that his weak or bad points are well to their minds. The hero of this story is endowed by nature with a very discerning brain and with a strong will. Both gifts he cultivates, and apparently the powers, either of light or darkness, which modern novelists of a certain school have at their command, help him in perfecting his sense of mental vision. The consequence is that, instead of plodding along quietly through a moderately happy life, he sees too clearly what his beloved, an equisitely pretty, but weak, vain creature, is thinking while she listens to his impassioned utterances. What eager lover could remain unmoved when declaring his devotion to his Vera he says :—

"I almost wish that we could die now, for such great happiness makes me afraid something may come. Oh, Vera! you will always love me!"

"Of course, dear!" she answers.

Then this thought followed :—

"I wish he would not talk about death ; I hate death, I don't want to die. It is quite nice enough to be here having some one loving and petting me without thinking about the future. I wonder if he is going to kiss me? I thought men always kissed girls when they proposed to them!"

This is a poor sort of result of the gift of which only prophets should hold the monopoly. In course of time he sees more important, though not only in her mind, but in every one else's, and life is not simplified. He naturally cannot cherish any delusions as to any one's opinion of him, but fortunately he does not allow this to oppress him.

"He seemed to have about as much regard for the opinion anybody formed of his character as a surgeon would have of the views once entertained by his unconscious subject."

He had, however, decidedly the advantage of every one else. Of course, he gradually rises into the upper statum of ethereal life and spurns all that is earthly, doing good with his very real worldly wealth, meanwhile. He visits for the furtherance of his spiritual career a Buddhist retreat in the very, very North of India. The characters who would have played their parts in the circle of his life, he hovers round from time to time, doing pretty much the work of a Guardian Angel, warning them of the dangers to which their evil ways are hurrying them, and leading them into gentler paths. The sixth sense may be a very admirable one. But it has its discomforts as long as it is confined to one individual of a society. The human interest in the story is kept up by the events being related as if there were no uncanny hobgoblin kind of life behind the scenes.

The Lost Stradivarius, by J. Meade Falkner (William Blackwood and Sons, London). The method adopted in relating this weird story is the impressive one of personal recollection and posthumous notes. The strains of ghostly music, and the shadowy re-appearance of a departed predecessor of the hero in the rooms occupied by him in Oxford, produce a very disorganising effect on the mind of John Maltravers. From being a young man of ordinary common sense, a cultured musician, and a lover of the beautiful, he gradually, under the mystic influence of one particular musical composition, which wakes echoes of the past, and summons to his brain phantasms beckoning him to strange scenes, he becomes a dreamer. In this way state he neglects everything, apparently takes much with all that he held valuable before, and enters upon a life that puzzles and estranges all who love him. No particular end seems to be served by this moral deviation, in obedience to the influence of the spirit world. The finding of a very old skeleton in the devious depths of an Italian city is a poor reward for the sacrifice of all that makes life worth living. But John Maltravers, in the pursuit of this discovery, is so absorbed that he does not seem to feel the claims of kindred or country. For those who crave for the supernatural or rather subnatural this story will afford an hour's entertainment.

A Home in Inverness, by T.L. Paton, (Methuen and Co., 36, Essex St., Strand London). This story begins prettily and interests us in the heroine who seems made for a happy idyllic life. But at the moment when all is apparently tuned for harmony, the rift within the late produces hideous discord in the most sudden way. The young wife learning of wrong done, and done too by her own particular hero, gives way very naturally to the feeling of indignation that invades her soul. Wrong will be done and will shock the inexperienced and innocent with a force that those learned in human nature's weaknesses do not feel. But the young moralist, when she is at the same time a young wife, finds it hard to adjust herself to a new conception of life where the glory fades from off the brow of her beloved one, and clay base clay betrays itself in the statue before which she was almost ready to fall down and worship. Nigel Falconer is the hero, and Marion Graham, the heroine. Her awakening from the enthusiastic dream of happiness, which wedded life promised, is rude, and she instinctively flings from her the man in whom she considers herself deceived. She does not see that she has aroused in his somewhat slumbrous soul a desire for higher ideals, but judges him entirely and quickly by an episode of his past which stands revealed to her. Trouble naturally follows. But shortly the young wife, grown more human and less transcendent, and apparently yielding only time to no more ethereal impulse than the dictates of her lonely heart, forgives her husband and goes to seek him in the exile to which her stern decree has driven him. The events of her journey and the perils that seem to attend her chances of reconciliation with her erring husband are, we think, rather unnecessarily introduced, but they spin out the story and keep up the interest.

Dartmoor Idylls, by S. Baring Gould (Methuen and Co., 36, Essex Street, Strand, London), is a collection of pleasant tales with the breezy, fresh country air of the moor inspiring every one of them "John and Joan" the dear, simple old pair, whose one ambition after living together in perfect union from childhood, is to depart out of this life simultaneously, and whose tomb-stone lies ready for the event, are charming in their genuine devotion to each other, and their practical determination to fulfil the purpose of their lives. "Snaily House" is a thoroughly typical story of the easy-going life that obtains in country places, where one day is quite as good as another for accomplishing the half-formed plans of the inhabitants. "Little Dixie," "Jonas Coaker" the man who was always troubled and repeating "whatever shall I do wi' myself when I'm dead?" "The Hammetts," in which husband and wife led a wretched life, nothing seemed able to conjure happiness, until the wife in fit of fury after failing to commit suicide, gives her inappreciative mate a good beating with the rope that had failed to hang her, never ceasing till he con-

sented to "love and valy her all his life" a promise which he conscientiously kept ; all these and the other tales in the book are worth reading.

The Daughter of Alouette by Mary A Owen. (Methuen and Co., 36, Eassex Street, Strand London). This is a story of French half-breeds in North America, and has a charm of its own. The little Taminika leads from her earliest years a chequered life, and is constantly on the point of extinction from one danger or another. Civilisation does something for her, even to offering a boarding-school education, which fortunately does not take all her originality away. A true child of the woods and forests, she gravitates back to her early haunts, nature claiming her own again : "She shall be mine, and I shall make a lady of my own." Her fascinating fearless ways and good heart win for her all the happiness that life can give, and which her poor mother enjoyed for but a brief few months. The book has its own quaint collection of characters many of them well drawn, though some suggest the pen of a novice.

Captain Jacobus, by L. C. Cornford (Methuen and Co., 36, Essex St., Strand, London). We have here a story of adventure, the memoirs of no less a person than a notorious Cavalier Highwayman, whose connection with the Penruddock plot in the time of the Commonwealth brought him singular turns of good and ill fortune. Events follow each other in quick succession, plots and counterplots arise and fail, or succeed, daring deeds are done, on both sides, neither indeed having the monopoly of fair play. The heroine in whom we are much interested in the first pages, retires to her bower during the stirring times, when women can only have patience and pray that peace may come. But she comes forth once more to play an important part, both to hero and reader, to bless the first and relieve the other from the strain of hearing too loud and too long the clash of arms.

The Spirit of Storm, by Ronald Ross (Methuen & Co., 36, Essex Street, Strand, London). This Spirit presides over the old impossible times when life at sea meant running the gauntlet of every sort of horror. Consequently it is a very exciting composition, the characters standing out in strong and not always pleasant relief against a lurid horizon of storm and strife with an occasional accompaniment of crazy ships, wrecks, and innumerable disasters. Very occasionally we are cheered by the presence of a gentle spirit, whose appearance for the moment calms the clamour of all the evil ones. There is a fond child chapter in which John Chesham, the very faulty hero lives through a terrible experience with his little son, Percival. Having already braved successfully perils of many sorts, moral, physical, and mental. John Chesham thinks little of a tornado at sea although he is in a ship as ill-balanced as his own mind, until the terror of his boy in face of the waves that rear themselves one after another to the sky, then dash their gigantic force on deck and over father and son, wake in him another dread, the dread of losing his only son. The moments of agony that then invade his soul, are the worst of his life. Were it not for the action of a singular freak of nature, described in the book as not infrequent in certain latitudes, by which the ship is blown by the cyclone exactly back to the spot from which she was wrenched by the first fury of the storm, there had been an end of his constantly threatened existence. However, he lives to enter on a more peaceful phase, though true to his nature, the threshold of that rest is reached only by a duel with his dearest friend for a shadowy cause. The story is truly styled "a Romance" on the title-page, for an ordinary life could not contain so many adventures in its span and leave the chief actors still in this world.

Mr. Moreshwar S. Chitale, of Poona City, has written "The Life of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, Empress of India." The scope of the work, though contained in a small compass, can be gathered from the short epitome in the first two pages. The author, after remarking that Queen Victoria's reign is already the longest on record in English History, goes on to say :—

"It is an undoubted fact that the long life accorded to our Sovereign is not without its purpose. It is in her reign that art and science have attained to a pitch of perfection of which they were formerly deemed incapable. It is in her reign that for the first time, the even administration of justice is enforced everywhere without distinction. It is in her reign that the subjects of the English Crown have been educated enough to offer intelligent opinions on public questions, and thus to lighten in some degree the onerous work of administration. It is in her reign that communities subject to British sway have first learnt to adapt their institutions, social as well as religious, to their surroundings. Even in England, it is only now that the people have advanced enough to understand general literature without the help of commentaries. A reference to the Pickwick Papers, a monthly magazine belonging to the first days of this reign in which explanatory notes had to be added for the convenience of readers, will make this clear.....The liberty of the press, liberty of thought, and liberty of the individual, were never so complete as now."

In this spirit of praise the Life of our Gracious Queen is presented to us. Much of the description of the early years of the Queen are necessarily limited to anecdotes ingeniously collected. An event recorded here of the day on which Victoria attained her legal majority is possibly unknown to most people and is scarcely credible. "Presents came in from all the leading men to the Queen and her Mother on the occasion. Even William IV. sent a grand pianoforte, of the value of 200 guineas. It is said that the man who brought the pianoforte, also brought word from His Majesty that he had a mind to grant a yearly allowance of £ 10,000 to his niece, on condition that the latter surrendered to him the right of appointing her household domestics" This sounds very unlike what we would think kingly conduct on such an occasion, but what limit ever is set to the stories told of royalty ; We are informed later that the Prince of Wales "has bought a farm at Sandringham on which he works in person." The events of the reign are presented in the fewest possible words with occasional comments. The author says of the death of the Duchess of Kent that "it is beyond our power to give our readers an idea of the grief Her Majesty felt at her Mother's loss. We therefore beg to be excused for not making the attempt." which is very wise of him. Having given various interesting facts referring to each member of the immediate Royal Family, Mr. M. S. Chitale follows his "Life" up with a paper "India under the British Rule," in which he tries to show the progress made in the past 60 years by India. He sums up by saying that, in Bombay the Mahratta community has made the greatest progress in the social and political and the literary regeneration of the country, and the city of Poona is the cradle of all political and social reform movements that spread througout the country at large." This, of course, is from the Poona point of view. The little book is in English and Marathi, bound in one volume.

The Money-Spinner, by Henry Seton Merriman and S. G. Tallentyre (Macmillan and Co., London). These sketches are mostly reprinted from the *Cornhill Magazine*. They are excellent, true to nature, or art as the case may be. Among the best are "The Money Spinner," "The Soldier Servant," "The Dog," and "The Bad Penny" and "The Caretaker." The stories show a delicate sense of character. In a few pages a personality or a situation is clearly limned, indeed we recognise many of our own acquaintances and our own dilemmas in these notes.

Pandit Jwala Prasad Jha, of the Provincial Service, N.-W. P., has published a pamphlet on Chromopathy, or the treatment of disease by colours. It is hard to believe that water standing in the sun for two hours in a blue, yellow, or red bottle, can be efficacious in illness or that a patient sitting in a room lighted by glass stained of the special colour supposed to be inimical suitted to his complaint can be cured of it and make a miraculously rapid recovery. Yet this is what is asserted by this booklet. Simplicity could not go further either in doctor or in patient. When we learn that this is the second edition of the pamphlet, and that it costs eight annas, we suppose the Indian World must have some faith in the system. It is published at Benares and printed by Freeman and Co.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

The P. and O. S. N. Co.'s s. s. Caledonia, Captain W. B. Andrew, will sail, to-day, for Marseilles, and Brindisi, with English mail and the following passengers :—

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Bereides, Mr G A
Broadfoot, Col
Curtois, Miss
Cumberlidge, Mr and Mrs
Clark, Mr and Mrs J B
Crooker, Mrs
Chamberlain, Col Neville
Comfield, Mrs B and infant
Clialnurs, Miss
Crooks, Mr
Douglas, Mr and Mrs H
Dohmann, Mrs and infant
Hall, Mr, Mrs C and infant
Hansen, Mr C S
Joffrey, Mrs and infant
Johnston, Mr G
Jamieson, Mr J B
Johnstone, Mr, and Mrs D C and child
Johnstone, Miss
Johnston, Mr G R
King, Mr and Mrs A J

...lives, and we know from the sympathies you have for us that you will grant our prayer, for which we shall be grateful.

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In addition to the subscriptions detailed yesterday, the following sums have been received :—

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MILLET AND THE PLAGUE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The disease, which you have in your city, was formerly pretty common in these parts, and I have seen a good many outbreaks during my thirty years' residence. The last appearance of the plague ("Mahmari") in Kumaon, if I am not mistaken, was in a village not one and a-half mile from one of my factories. Though I am not a medical man, I have invariably watched the disease, and tried to arrive at what had caused it, and I am perfectly convinced in my own mind that Dr. Waters is correct in putting it down to the millet. In these parts when harvests were good, and the villages far in the interior of these hills, could not sell what they had reaped, mostly millet, it was buried, and in years of scarcity, it was brought to light again, and more often than not with an outbreak or "Mahamari." I am not aware that Europeans ever funked the disease, nor have I known a case of any native sent to see orders carried out, getting it, but then such natives took good care not to eat millet, but wheat or rice.

When the disease has broken out the rats have been the first to suffer, and soon after it has shown itself amongst the inhabitants of that village ; if one of another village was attacked there was conclusive proof that the party so attacked had very lately partaken of food in the village or had brought millet from the said village. The last appearance of the disease, as far as I can remember, was of short duration ; as soon as it appeared, everyone cleared out and lived in the open on the hillside, it discontinued using the grain from their village, and as a death occurred, they moved away to a fresh camp. The authorities had the village well cleaned, all rubbish and thatched houses burnt, and all grain destroyed, and every house fumigated with sulphur ; sulphur was also were burnt in and around the village, and after a month, no deaths having occurred for a fortnight or so, the place was occupied again. If village "A" was attacked, and a man in B shortly after died of the disease, it did not follow that any one else in "B" would be attacked, and it could generally be shown that the man from "B" had either partaken of food in "A" about the time of the outbreak,or had bought millet from the village, or had thought he was doing a clever thing in looting the deserted village of a load of fodder stuff. If "B" had more than one attack, it was generally found they had something to say to "A's" millet ; and if more were attacked after an interval of a few days, it was usually in a mild form, and, no doubt, through contagion. If I may make a suggestion, it would be to destroy all millet, or in this time of famine, I would fumigate every maund of it with sulphur or something in the same way that malt is dried, and before issuing any of the fumigated millet, I would try it on some rats. Of course, along with this, I would do all my bestdone in the way of disinfecting houses and sanitation.— Yours &c.,

JAMES GEORGE BELLAIRS, Proprietor.

Berenag Tea Company, Berenag P. O., Almora, N.-W. P., Jan. 16.

SUGGESTED BURIAL AT SEA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—In your column on bubonic fever in the issue of the 20th instant, you state : "It is hoped that the ground (Tank Bunder) will be ready for the purposes of burial in another six weeks."

Both you and your contemporary have repeatedly pointed out the terribly insanitary condition of the present Mahomedan and low-caste Hindu burial-grounds.

I would suggest that, until better arrangements be made for the purpose, certain tugs and lighters be hired to convey the bodies say one mile out to sea, and that the bodies of those who die in Bombay, whether of the plague or otherwise, which are destined for burial, be consigned to the deep.—Yours, &c.,

Poona, Jan. 20. H. B.

SUGGESTIONS FROM BARODA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Any words about the plague, sir, should now be extest few and to the point, only expressive of the remedies which would tell on your noble city at once. The plague is both soft and air-laden, it is both imported and developed in your soil ; and mostly chooses the poorest, the weakest in physique. It goes on extending to further quarters of your city, it will undoubtedly, be killed the next hot season. Allow me to say, kill it *now*. Every ground-floor of houses in the infected and infectable ,wards, and every hundred yards of similar streets and gulleys, as once need well-heated atmosphere, uniformly keep up by clean bonfires unremittingly continue dday and night for twelve days, and further continued if destruction of city infection is then secured. The present cold air ; infected wind it as allied with poor and filthy physique and the associations in intimate contact with it. A certain degree of heat kills the poison ; adopt the measure of heating the atmosphere wholesome, day and night, for weeks together, and destroy the plague bacillus.

This is to be the main measure, accompanying prompt lime-washing and disinfection of all damp cells of houses and streets,(which should be coated with fresh lime, and disinfecting wash repeated every fortnight. It would be futile to trust the people to do all this ; It must be done by an all-pervading, powerful, responsible agency. The operation of the measure to be universal, for which no expenditure can be excessive, no organization can be excessive. The permanent measures consist in restricting, in geographical detail, the city population to two-thirds of January last ; the systematic and radical opening up of all occupied houses, channels, and streets, and devising a scheme of opening three new accessible ports in the Presidency, leaving to the option of surplus numbers to people them. Bombay being too small an island for a million inhabitants and much less for the present foul congested centres. The alteration and reform of the vicious tenements, streets, and gullies, should be carried out by a strong expert committee, with unreserved administrative and financial powers, who should be assisted by able engineering city and house-constructors, imported from Europe and America, all kutcha houses in the infected and infectable centres being destroyed, and replaced with cheap sanitary buildings. All underground sewers and local burial-grounds to be abolished, easily openable and well-ventilated sewage conduits, without communication to the sea, being adopted. Details of the impromptu and reformed sewerage system will be given by me if on being called upon to do so. A strict analysis of the Tanas and other waters should be carefully carried out, and their general use rigidly restored to one-half of the present quantity.

Medical practitioners of conflicting practice should cordially unite, decide and act upon the general potency of such specifics as the serum, olive oil, and other treatment.

The present emergency immediately demands, in my humble judgment, the formation of a powerful committee of Government Municipal and Sanitary administrators to enforce the foregoing radical measures, including compulsory encampment and kindly treatment of all refugees within fifty or seventy-five miles of Bombay, the emigration beyond these limits being strictly interdicted. At least, such plagues and chronic fevers as the present ones threatening universal circulation, will be no more when the new and renovated city rises from the ashes of the present mortal wound-dealing, weeping Bombay. Five years should be the utmost to complete this sanitary change. Be it borne in mind that Her Gracious Majesty the Queen-Empress has just desired her governments to eradicate the plague from India at any cost.Let this be earnestly done.—Yours, &c.,

Baroda, Jan. 20. DINSHAH ARDESHIR.

SOLACE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Would, that the City of Bombay as this particular trying and critical juncture, when its citizens have to face manfully the two dire calamities of epidemic (zuoonic fever) and the famine ; had been blessed with, at least, half a dozen (if not more) officials, energetic and high officers like Dr. John Pollen, I. C. S., B. A., LL. D. (the present acting popular Collector of Bombay to comfort the afflicted and to encourage panicstricken people of this *Urbs Prima In Indies* by their personally addressing them at large in some prominent place or other, advising them in right earnest not to be terrorised over the so-called bubonic plague, and that those blessed with situations here should firmly and boldly take their stand at their place. Many or the parents like will, I hope, be able to bear with me when I say that Dr. Pollen's late discourse to the people at their free—library had simply a soothing and magic effect upon them. In sooth I may add that several of my friends, who had the unspeakable gratification of hearing this great linguist speaking to them in Hindustani, remaining amongst themselves that if such officer (being himself a family man) having arduous and onerous duties to perform and being liable to the same danger as themselves could not only strain every nerve to alleviate their bitter sufferings by raising a famine-fund, but also exhort them at great personal sacrifice and inconvenience not to be afraid of the pestilence, &c., then they too could no other way—but to follow in his advice and stimulate their brethren to do the same. Oh, the noble example set by Dr. Pollen—I and several of my countrymen heartily wish and pray that he could spare a little time one of these days to address the native Christians of this town, either in English, Konkani ; Marathi, or Portuguese and then allay their exagerated and unfounded fears of this unwelcome visitant.—Yours, &c.,

Jan. 22. AN ADMIRER.

THE SPREAD OF INFECTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I note that the plague is spread by rats and fleas. I might suggest that [illegible] suffocated by burning sulphur in covered drains, and infected houses ought to be fumigated with sulphur, with all doors and windows closed. I remember being kept awake by bugs in a first-class carriage so the railway may be the means of conveying the plague all over India, if carriages are not fumigated.—Yours, &c.,

Rangoon, Jan. 13. T. H. STEPHENS.

THE PRECAUTION OF 1665.

The following extract from Defoe's "Journal of the Plague Year" affords an instructive comparision between the precautions taken in London in 1665 to prevent the spread of the pestilence and those taken in Bombay to-day :—

ORDERS CONCERNING INFECTED HOUSES, AND PERSONS SICK OF THE PLAGUE.

NOTICE TO BE GIVEN OF THE SICKNESS.

"The master of every house, as soon as any one in his house complaineth, either of botch, or purple, or swelling in any part of his body, or falleth otherwise dangerously sick, without apparent cause of some other disease, shall give knowledge there of to the examiner of health, within two hours after the said sign shall appear.

SEQUESTRATION OF THE SICK.

"As soon as any man shall be found by this examiner, Chirurgeon or Searcher to be sick of the plague, he shall the same night be sequestred in the same house, and in case he be so sequestred, then, though he afterwards die not, the house wherein he sickned, should be shut up for a month, after the use of the due preservatives taken by the rest.

AIRING THE STUFF.

"For sequestration of the goods and stuff of the infection, their bedding, and apparel, and hangings of chambers, must be well aired with fire, and such perfumes as are requisite within the infected house, before they be taken again to use : This to be done by the appointment of the examiner.

SHUTTING UP OF THE HOUSE.

"If any person shall have visited any man, known to be infected of the plague, or entered willingly into any known infected house, being not allowed ; The house wherein he inhabiteth shall be sput up for certain days by the examiners direction.

NONE TO BE REMOVED OUT OF INFECTED HOUSES, BUT, &c.

"Item,that none be remov'd out of the house where he fall-th sick of the infection, into any other house in the city, (except it be to the Pest-House or a Tent, or into some such house, which the owner of the said visited house holdeth in his own hands, and occupieth by his own servants) and so as security be given to the parish, whither such remove is made ; that the attendances and charge of nut the said visited persons shall be observed and charged in all the particularities before expressed, without any cost of that parish, to which any such remove shall happen to be made, and this remove to be done by night : And it shall be lawful to any person that hath two houses to remove either his sound or his infected people to his spare house at his choice, so as if he send away first the sound, he may after send to fetcher the sick, nor again unto the sick the sound. And that the same which he sendeth, be for one week at the least shut up, and secluded from company, for fear of some infection, at the first not appearing.

BURIAL OF THE DEAD.

"That the burial of the dead by this visitation, be at most convenient hours, always either before sunrising, or after sun-setting with the privity of the church wardens or constables and not otherwise ; and that no neighbours nor friends be suff-red to accompany the corps to church, or to enter the house visited, upon pain of having his house shut up, or be imprison-d. And that no corps dying of infection shall be buried, or remain in any church in time of common-prayer sermon, or lecture, and that no children be suffered at time of burial of any corps in any church, church-yard or burying-place be come near the corps, coffin, or grave. And that all the graves shall be at least six foot deep. And further, all public assemblies at other burials are to be forborn during the continuance of this visitation.

NO INFECTED STUFF TO BE UTTERED.

"That no clothes, stuff, bedding or garments be suffered to be carried or conveye t out of any infected houses and that the cri-rs and carri rs abroad of bedding or old apparel to be sold or pawned be utterly prohibited and restrained, and no broker or bedding or old apparel be p rmitted to make any outward show or hang forth on their stalls, shopboards or windows towards any street, lane, commonway or passage, any old bedding or apparel to be sold, upon pain of imprisonment. And if any broker or other person shall by any bedding, apparel, or other stuff out of any infected house, within two months after the infection hath been there, his house shall be shut up as infected, and so shall continue shut up twenty days at the least.

NO PERSON TO BE CONVEYED OUT OF ANY INFECTED HOUSE.

"If any person visited do fortune by negligent looking unto, or by any other means, to come, or be conveyed from a place infected to any other place ; the parish from whence such party hath come or been conveyed, upon notice there of given shall at their charge cause that said party so visited and escaped, to be carried and brought back again by night and the parties in this case offending, to be punished at the direction of the Alderman of the ward, and the house of the receiver of such visited person to be shut up for twenty days.

EVERY VISITED HOUSE TO BE MARKED.

"That every house visited, be marked with a red cross of a foot long in the middle of the door, evident to be seen, and with these usual printed words, that is to say, 'Lord have mercy upon us,' to be set close over the same cross, there to continue until lawful opening of the same house.

EVERY VISITED HOUSE TO BE WATCHED.

"That the constables see every house shut up, and to be attended with watchmen, which may keep them in, and minister necessaries unto them at their own charges (if they be able, or at the common charge if they be unable : The shutting up to be for the space of four weeks after all be well. That precise order be taken that the searchers,chirurgeons, keepers and burliers are not to pass the streets without holding a red rod or wand of three foot in length in their hands, open and evident to be seen, and are not to go into any other house than into their own, or into that whereunto they are directed or sent for ; but to forbear and abstain from company, especially when they have been lately used in any such business or attendance.

INMATES.

"That where several inmates are is one and the same house and any person in that house happens to be infected ; no other person of family of such house shall be suffered to remove him or them-selves without a certificate from the examiners of health of that parish ; or in default thereof, the house whither he or they so remove, shall be shut up as in case of visitation.

HACKNEY-COACHES.

"That care be taken of hackney-coach-men that they may not (as some of them have been observed to do) after carrying of infected persons to the Pest-House, and other places, be admitted to common use, till their coaches be well aired, and have stood unemployed by the space of five or six days after such service."

ORDERS FOR CLEANSING AND KEEPING OF THE STREET SWEET.

THE STREETS TO BE KEPT CLEAN.

"First it is thought necessary, and so ordered, that every householder do cause the street to be daily prepared before his door, and so to keep it clean swept all the week long.

THAT BAKERS TAKE IT FROM OUT THE HOUSES.

"That the sweeping and filth of houses be daily carry'd away by the rakers, and that the raker shall give notice of his coming, by the blowing of a horn, as hitherto hath been done.

LAYSTALLS TO BE MADE FAR OFF FROM THE CITY.

"That the laystalls be removed as far as may be out of the city, common passages, and that no nightman or other be suffered to empty a vault into any garden near about the city.

CARE TO BE HAD OF UNWHOLESOME FISH OR FLESH, AND OF MUSTY CORN.

"That special care be taken, that no stinking fish, or unwholesome flesh, or musty corn, or other corrupt fruits of what sort soever be suffered to be sold about the city, or any part of the same. That the Brewers and Tiplingh-ouses be looked unto, for musty and unwholesome casks. That no hogs, dogs or cats or tame pigeons, or conies, be suffered to be kept within any part of the city, or any swine to be, or stray in the streets or lanes, but that such swine be impounded by the Beadle or any other officer, and the owner punished according to Act of Common-Council, and that the dogs be killed by the dog-killers appointed for that purpose."

ORDERS CONCERNING LOOSE PERSONS AND IDLE ASSEMBLIES.

BEGGERS.

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Sir John Lawrence } Sir George Waterman } Sheriffs.
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I need not say writes Defoe, that these orders exercised only to such places as were within the Lord Mayor's Jurisdiction ; so it is requisite to observe, that the Justices of Peace within those parishes, and places as were called the Hamlets, and out-parts, took the same methods ; and I remember,

THE TEMPLETON CASE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

SECUNDERABAD, JAN. 20.

THE hearing of the case against Mr. Arthur Napoleon Templeton was resumed to-day before Mr. A. A. Williams, I.C.S., first Assistant Resident, Hyderabad. After this, his Honour proceeded to read his order on the question of admissibility of evidence taken before Mr. Joshi, the District Magistrate of the Residency Bazaars, who recorded the inquest proceedings.

He said the questions were : Were the proceedings held before Mr. Joshi regular ? If so, are the proceedings or any part of them (excluding the report) admissible in evidence in this hearing. His Honour decided that they must come off the file.

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Mr. Forbes : The plan is required before the prosecution is closed, and he was instructed to insist upon the plan being taken now. The desirability of putting in a plan of the house has occurred to us all along.

Mr. Daly : The probability is that it has only just germinated : at any rate sir, I claim your protection in the matter. We are not going to allow our place to be invaded by a band of the Mogfat police and let them do what they like. I will accept no excuse from the other side in this matter. I regard it as a perfect scandal that the police should have taken such a thing as that.

Mr. Forbes : Very well, I will not press the question now.

Mr. Daly : Oh, that's magnanimous.

Mr. Forbes : That's fair.

Mr. Daly : We don't expect any fairness from the prosecution. What I want is that the plan should not be taken till our cross-examination of the native witnesses is over. It is all I want.

Mr. W. C. Ulett was then called and examined by Mr. Forbes :—I am in charge of H. H. the Nizam's Government stables. I have known the accused and Mrs. Templeton for some years. I also know Mrs. Whittaker who, with Mr. and Mrs. Templeton and myself dined on the 2nd December. Mr. Harman and Mr. Leslie were the other guests that night. My appointed dinner hour is 8 o'clock, but Mrs. Whittaker, the Templetons, and Mr. Harman came between 8-30, and 8-45. I did not notice anything particular about Mrs. Whittaker's manner that night, only she was rather quieter than usual.

Did you attend the Hyderabad Races in November ?—I did, and saw Mrs. Whittaker there, and also Mr. Templeton.

Did you have any conversation with Mr. Templeton on that occasion ?—I did, I can't remember all he said, but there is one particular thing I do remember. Mr. Templeton asked me if I had seen Mrs. Whittaker, and I said "Yes" in a joking way. I said "I have not seen her, have you lost her ?" I saw Mrs. Whittaker and the conversation on the same occasion. She was speaking to Mrs. Bourrilon on the top of the stand.

Who is Mrs. Bourrilon ?—I believe she is the lady in charge of Sir Salar Jung's children.

Cross-examined by Mr. Daly.

Was the invitation to dinner verbal or written ?—Verbal. We received a written reply. When I gave the invitation, I recollect I said the hour was eight. I gave the invitation to Mr. Harman in Mr. Templeton's presence.

Do you recollect, Mr. Ulett, that your daughter and another lady, who was stopping at your house came into the drawing-room rather later than the Templeton party ?—I don't remember.

Can you recollect whether Mrs. Ulett wrote and received your personal invitation to dinner ?—I don't know.

You had some music after dinner, and Mrs. Whittaker played and Mr. Templeton sang ?—Yes, Mrs. Whittaker played two accompaniments.

Why did you appear to have some doubt as to this ? Did you spoke about being Mrs. Williams, why is that ?—I only knew her as a lady who was living in the same house as Mr. Williams, I knew her as Mrs. Bourrilon. I have been away to Bombay, and since my return, I heard she was married.

Mr. Norton said the lady herself only discovered this other day that she had to be called Mrs. Williams.

Mr. Daly : A sudden and violent change of name !

By the Court : On the first day of the races I did not see the Templetons on the course, when the party came to dinner here, I think Mr. Templeton said Mrs. Whittaker was a Congress. He also said Dewan Virayan, Krishnaswamy, Dr. Hehir's doctor, was next called and said : I recognise the slides shown to me. The dates on the different ones are in my handwriting. The slides came from Dr. Hehir's house, and also wrote the date on the same day as the slides were received. I also prepared the slides from 4 p.m. up to 6 p.m. and gave them to messer, who made a microscopic examination with them on the same evening, (2nd December) a little after 6 p.m. I was in the habit of assisting my master in this work. I have been doing so for nearly 6 or 7 years. Miss Da Costa was present when my master was examining these slides. Master was explaining to her and also Mr. Young on the 2nd evening. I received a letter of a carriage at nearly 7 and expecting Mrs. Seaton at that hour, and told my master Mrs. Seaton or somebody had come. My master went out and brought some lady into the drawing-room, whom I don't know. It was not Mrs. Seaton. Afterwards one lady came into the microscope room in company with my master. I was in the microscope room.

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BOMBAY GOLF CLUB.

"FORTY-TWA" MEDAL.

THE fourth competition of the season in connection with this trophy took place on Thursday, and was a "Bogey" match for holes. There were 18 entries, but several players failed to return their scores. No one succeeded in beating the redoubtable and immaculate Colonel's records of 40, but by the aid of their handicaps, several players made a near thing of it. The match was chiefly interesting from the fact that the two men who tied for first place—Messrs. W. Garlick and P. F. Fischer—had to go round twice more before one gained the advantage of the other. Mr. Fischer was allowed three strokes and Mr. Garlick six. They were both down on the first round and 2 down on the second. On playing off on the double tie, Mr. Fischer managed to win, with 1 down, Mr. Garlick bing 3 down. Mr. Bromley with 5 points, Mr. W. E. Young with 2,—and Mr. W. P. Peachey who played at scratch, were all 2 down. Mr. J. C. Kiddle with 5 points, and Mr. R. A. English with 4, were both 3 down. The only other player who seems to have had the courage to return his score was Mr. F. A. Spencer, who with 7 points was 6 down.

THE Manchester Fire Assurance Company has subscribed Rs. 2,000 to the Famine Relief Fund at Calcutta.

MILITARY NEWS.

CAPTAIN TEMPLER, 19th B. C., remains in England on extended leave for two months.

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LIEUTENANT B. M. M. TOD-MERCER, R. E., reverts to the Home Establishment shortly.

SERGEANT G. S. F. ROUTH, 1st Battalion Somersetshire Light Infantry, is promoted to a Lieutenancy in the Manchester Regiment and posted to the 2nd Battalion.

THE following Officers are permitted to return to duty :—Lieutenant-Colonel J. W. Wray, S. C. (Civil employ), Captains A. A. Douglas, Intelligence Department, Simla, 11th B. I., Evans, 8th B. I.; Surgeon-Captain C. A. Johnston, 2nd Infantry Hyderabad Contingent ; Lieutenants Elliot-Lockhart, Guide Corps, Schneider, 19th Bombay Infantry, Knox, 19th Bombay Infantry, Second-Lieutenant Addams, 3rd Madras Cavalry.

RAILWAY CONVENIENCES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Kindly give a small space to this in your journal. It is discreditable on the part of the B. B. and C. I. Railway authorities to have decided to run one more train to the outlying stations beyond Bandora once a week on Saturdays. The time for this extra train, being just before the 2-30 passenger, it will, no doubt, be used by the public in preference to the 2-30 passenger, and the consequence will be that the local rush and crowd, as well as the suburban residents, from overcrowding and unnecessary delay. But, Sir, there is a small mercy for which the public must be thankful. Instead of weekly, it would be soon a train daily. Instead of weekly, it is now time to increase the number of trains to stations beyond the local terminus of Bandora, and it is to be hoped for the sake of public convenience, that before long there will be at least three-fourths of the number now running to Bandora. The time is suitable for the Railway authorities to develop their passenger traffic to the suburbs, as well as stimulate people to go and live at various distances from overcrowded and unhealthy Bombay. One more suggestion I have to make as to the change, which I hear is shortly to be made in the time-table of this railway, is that to suit the conveniences of passengers all round, the trains ought to be so timed in, that no very long intervals of time subsist between some of the trains, and *vice versa*.

Bombay, Jan. 21. A VOICE.

FEMININE FACTS AND FANCIES.

HIAR dye is considered so detrimental to long life, that a Paris insurance company refuses to insure the lives of persons who use it.

Lady Salisbury, it is said, has always been famed among those who know her well for the way in which she sticks to her friends through good and evil report.

The children of the poor in Japan are nearly always labelled, in case they should stray from home whilst their mothers are engaged in domestic duties.

It is becoming the fashion now to seal letters, and this season many sorts of sealing trays have been brought out in brass or ormolu, with a taper stand, and a receptacle for matches and seals.

Society dames, in the lack of better employment, have taken to collecting teapots. A leader of society, who started the idea, has already amassed a collection of over a thousand examples, varying in capacity from three gallons to under a thimbleful.

A Court gossip says that every year at this season the Queen lets it be known that her wish is that very little should be spent on the gifts offered by members of the family to herself. Her Majesty has often remarked, "I do not like people throw away money upon me."

I am told (says a writer in the "Sketch") that in many places accident insurance companies refuse to grant a policy to the "bicycle girl." The reason is not that she is supposed to ride worse than the "bicycle boy," but that her claims for trivial and small injuries are too persistent. It is said that if one-half of them were paid the underwriters would soon be bankrupt. Many people think that if they fall and bruise themselves it is a case for compensation.

A man over thirty who has never been in love is in many respects the best friend of a lover. Should the object of his affection prove faithless or ill-behaved, it is almost sure he will turn out a bachelor, for love spurned at so critical a period strikes the man a harder blow than at any other time. And usually he is so unprepared for the assault. To flirt with a man of this temperament is to mar his life for ever.

"It is one of the most striking experiences of the last ten years," said a well-known minister the other day, "that most of the girls I marry seem to prefer husbands much older than themselves. I have discussed the matter with brother clergymen, and their experience is the same as mine. All the prettiest brides that come before me in church seem to marry men between thirty-five and forty-five, or older ones still."

The fortune-hunting gallants of Spain are said to be taking a mean advantage of the outburst of patriotism over the Cuban war. When the recent patriotic loan was raised, the Government, desiring to show its purely national character, decided to publish in the official gazette the names of subscribers with amount subscribed. On the lists were three thousand ladies, the majority of whom are either widowed or single, and the money subscribed by them varied from 3,000,000 pesetas to 5,000,000. Consequently the Spanish gallants anxiously perused the columns of the gazette, and made notes of the largest subscribers, with intent to propose for their hands at the earliest moment. These ladies are said to be besieged with offers, and weddings have already taken place.

A ladies' hairdresser gives the following general rules, which, he says should never be lost sight of, no matter in what particular style the hair may be dressed. The hair should always be dressed on the top as wide as the broader part of the face. If the ears project they should be hidden with loose hair, but if close to the head, the hair should be drawn away, so as to show them as much as possible. With a round face the hair should be dressed high off the forehead. With a long, thin face it ought to be worn flat, and all straight lines in continuation of the nose line must be avoided, as they help to show every imperfection. A soft, pretty face must be framed in a simple coiffure, while a lady of handsome, commanding appearance demands an elaborate one. An open, friendly face does not want to be hidden under a fringe which falls too low on the forehead, and so darkens it.

The fancy dress season is now at its full height in England ? There have already been several large balls, independently of the public assemblies of this kind at Covent Garden and the splendid masked ball that took place at Niagara a short time since. Some very handsome Court dresses have been worn. One of these was entitled "Rhodesia." The lady who personated this fancy character wore a white embroidered silk dress caught up with gold nuggets. On her shoulder was the Union Jack, and on her head, and also worn in her hat, caught back with a miniature pickaxe and shovel. Her bracelet was made of bullets, and she was equipped with a cartridge shoulder-belt and rifle. At the same ball one of the guests represented a South African millionaire. He wore a white linen suit with tie and band to match, a large wide-awake hat, and carried a search-light besides a stick with a nugget of gold for a head. Very original was a costume of a lady who went as "Her Majesty's Favourite Present." It was composed of three Indian shawls, draped Greek fashion, over a white satin quilted skirt. She wore the heavy jewellery and girdle of the early Victorian era, and perched over her flowing house lady into the drawing-room, whom I don't know. It was not Mrs. Seaton. Afterwards one lady came into the microscope room in company with my master. I was in the microscope room.

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